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This book provides K-8 teachers with an introductory resource on folk tales. The book acknowledges that teachers are often very interested in folk tales but lack the time to research them. Each chapter contains some background information on a story type or a character. The book's six chapters are as follows: (1) "The Folk Tale Tradition"; (2) "Western Myths and Legends"; (3) "Mythical Creatures and Fantastic Beasts"; (4) "Trickster Folk Tales"; (5) "Tall Tales"; and (6) "The Heavens." Each chapter contains an annotated bibliography of available picture books and illustrated texts written for elementary age children. (SR)

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